



My Ref: FOI 6232  
Enquiries to: Information Requests  
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Dear Requester,

**Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

**This request relates only to local authority-maintained schools (including community, voluntary controlled, voluntary aided, foundation, and maintained special schools). It explicitly excludes academies, free schools, independent (private) schools, non-maintained special schools, UTCs, and studio schools.**

**Question: Does the local authority currently provide, operate or manage a school catering service for maintained schools?**

**This school catering service may include delivery through an internal council team, a council-owned trading company (LATCo), or a non-profit partner organisation (e.g., charity or CIC).**

**Please answer: Yes, No, or Partially.**

No, the Local Authority does not provide a school catering service for maintained schools.

The council ceased operating its schools catering provision with effect of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests Via email.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

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Information Requests Team  
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Customer Services Team  
Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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